

Registers of Language

REGISTER	EXPLANATION
	Language that is always the same. For example: Lord's Prayer, wedding vows, etc.
	The standard sentence syntax and word choice of work and school. Has complete sentences and specific word choice.
	Formal register when used in conversation. Discourse pattern not quite as direct as formal register.
	Language between friends and is characterized by a 400- to 800-word vocabulary. Word choice general and not specific. Conversation dependent upon non-verbal assists. Sentence syntax often incomplete.
	Language between lovers or twins. Language of sexual harassment.